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10 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
11 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

13 **CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TOXIC
14 SUBSTANCES CONTROL and the TOXIC
15 SUBSTANCES CONTROL ACCOUNT,**

16 Plaintiffs,

17 v.

18 **EXXON MOBIL CORPORATION, et al.,**

19 Defendants.
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Case No. 2:21-cv-01739-KJM-JDP

**ORDER STAYING LITIGATION FOR
SETTLEMENT NEGOTIATIONS**

Courtroom: 3 – 15th Floor
Judge: Hon. Kimberly J. Mueller
Trial Date: None Set
Action Filed: September 24, 2021

21 Pursuant to the Joint Unopposed Motion for Stay of Litigation, and good cause appearing
22 therefore, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

23 (1) This action is temporarily stayed for six months for all purposes to enable the Parties
24 to continue their settlement negotiations without the expenditure of the Court's or the Parties'
25 resources on litigation;

26 (2) While the stay is in effect, the Parties shall not be required to comply with the Federal
27 Rules of Civil Procedure, including without limitation rule 26(a) regarding initial disclosures, and
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1 other procedural provisions requiring submissions to the Court or specific action by the Parties,
2 beyond the status reports provided in paragraph (4) of this order.


3 (3) Defendants are not required to file a responsive pleading until 30 days after the
4 expiration of the stay;

5 (4) The Parties will inform the Court by letter upon their submission of the equivalent
6 stay motions in the parallel litigations, and upon the other courts' rulings on those motions; and,

7 (5) The Parties shall file an initial status report no later than 90 days from the date of this
8 order, and shall file a second status report six months from the date of this order, concurrent with
9 the expiration of the stay.

10 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

11 DATED: May 26, 2022.

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14 CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
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